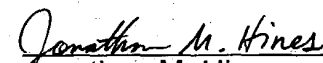


APPLICANT: BOTTOMS, Gary
SERIAL NO: Not yet assigned - Continuation of U.S. 09/975,710
PAGE NO: 10

D. REMARKS

By way of this amendment, claims 1-17 have been canceled, and new claims 18-33 have been added. No new matter is contained in these new claims. It is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance. An action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,


Jonathan M. Hines
Reg. No. 44,764

JONATHAN M. HINES
ADAMS EVANS P.A.
2180 TWO WACHOVIA CENTER
CHARLOTTE, N.C. 28282
TEL: (704) 375-9249
FAX: (704) 375-0729
E-MAIL: jmh@adamspat.com
File: 2308/1B